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Sir Marcus Lawrence Loane (1911-2009) was Anglican Archbishop of Sydney from 1966 to 1982 and Primate of Australia from 1977 to 1982. His book *Hewn from the rock: origins and traditions of the Church in Sydney* was published in Sydney by the Anglican Information Office in 1976, based on a series of church history lectures Loane had given.

The book included indexes and basic biographical details of Anglican clergy in colonial New South Wales. It contains two lists with details of a total of 135 clergymen dated 1853 and 1858 noting the year and location of their first appointment to a ministry in New South Wales in the period 1809-1858 (usually the year of their arrival in the colony). To these details Loane added dates of death or retirement for the men up to 1908. The lists have been transcribed and edited by Malcolm Sainty to form this dataset.

Though many of these ministers were attached to parishes in what is now greater Sydney, some served in distant parts of New South Wales, including Mudgee, Wellington, Bathurst, Carcoar, Braidwood, Wollongong, Queanbeyan, Goulburn, Cooma and Bega.

Most Anglican clergymen at this period born in Ireland or Britain, or if Australian born like the Rev Thoams Hassall (1794-1868), were required to study for the ministry in the British Isles to qualify for ordination. Some ordinations took place in Sydney after the appointment of William Grant Broughton as Bishop of Australia.

The biographical details recorded in this dataset comprise:

- ) Name of the clergyman including titles which usually include abbreviated degrees and universities.
- ) Place appointed, usually the parish where the clergyman was based.
- ) Year when ministry began, usually the date of arrival in Australia to a parish, diocesan or missionary appointment as deacon, missionary or priest.

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) Year ministry ended, usually year of death, retirement or return to the British Isles.

The clergymen's suffixes commonly contain the following abbreviations:

BA – Bachelor of Arts

MA – Master of Arts

Oxon – Oxford University

TCD – Trinity College Dublin

Cantab – Cambridge University

Durham – Durham University

Locum tenens – temporary appointment

D.C.L. Doctor Civilis [or Canonicae] Legis ('Doctor of Civil/Canon Law')

This 1853-1858 listing complements the much larger list of 2,259 Australian clergy of all denominations in 1878 already listed on the database. For more information on the 1878 list see:

[https://bda-online.org.au/files/IN2\\_Clergy1878.pdf](https://bda-online.org.au/files/IN2_Clergy1878.pdf)

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